

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
GRANTS COMMITTEE OF THE  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Torrance Parks and Recreation Commission Grants Committee convened in an adjourned regular session at 5:04 p.m. on Tuesday, October 26, 2009, in Garden Rooms A and B at Torrance City Hall.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Robbins, Ning, and Chairperson Gilbert.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Recreation Services Senior Supervisor Kelso.

**3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Ning moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda for this meeting. Commissioner Robbins seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Robbins moved for the approval of the October 4, 2010 Parks and Recreation Commission Grants Committee meeting minutes. Commissioner Ning seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

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The Committee welcomed Torrance Youth Council members Candace Wu from West High School and Tiffany Tran from North High School.

**5. GRANTS HEARING**

Committee members listened to brief presentations by the following 11 applicants for non-profit social service agencies for year 2011:

**Agency:** Trinity Productions, Inc.  
**Address:** 25617 Woodward Avenue, Lomita, CA 90717  
**Project:** Dating Dialogues – Recognizing Abusive Relationships  
**Presenter:** Ellany T. Lawrence, Vice-President  
**Amount Requested:** \$7,500

Ms. Lawrence stated that requested funds would be used to create a skit “Dating Dialogues” to show youth, adult, and senior populations what emotional abuse is.

**Agency:** The Wellness Community – South Bay Cities  
**Address:** 109 West Torrance Blvd. #100, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
**Project:** Emotional Support Programs for Cancer Patients and their Loved Ones  
**Presenter:** Raylene Prout, Development Director  
**Amount Requested:** \$7,500

Ms. Prout stated that the grant request would be used to provide free professionally facilitated emotional support programs for cancer patients and their loved ones.

**Agency:** Torrance-South Bay YMCA  
**Address:** 2900 West Sepulveda, Torrance, CA 90505  
**Project:** Senior Nutrition and Socialization Program  
**Presenter:** Lisa Van Ingen Pope, Senior Development Director  
**Amount Requested:** \$5,000

**Agency:** Switzer Learning Center  
**Address:** 2201 Amapola Court, Torrance, CA 90501  
**Project:** Vocational Education Programs – Cooking with Nuts for Nutrition Classes  
**Presenter:** Elizabeth Haig, Development Director  
**Amount Requested:** \$1,500

Ms. Haig stated that requested funds would be used to acquire kitchen equipment and materials to be used as part of the vocational education programs which service students with severe learning, emotional, and occupational therapy skills.

**Agency:** Su Casa – Ending Domestic Violence  
**Address:** 3840 Woodruff Avenue, Suite 203, Long Beach, CA 90808  
**Project:** Su Casa – Ending Domestic Violence  
**Presenter:** Vicki Doolittle, Executive Director  
**Amount Requested:** \$3,500

Ms. Doolittle described the agency's mission to empower individuals and families to live free from domestic abuse and to build partnerships with communities to end domestic violence.

The Committee was in recess from 5:35 to 5:41 p.m.

**Agency:** South Bay Literacy Council, Inc.  
**Address:** 24586 Hawthorne Blvd #101, Torrance, CA 90505  
**Project:** Upgrading of Student Supplies and Equipment  
**Presenter:** Frances Roberts, Vice-President of Development  
**Amount Requested:** \$2,500

It was noted that the grant request would provide new hardware and furnishings to replace outdated or outworn items in current use.

**Agency:** St. Paul's United Methodist Church  
**Address:** 2600 Nelson Avenue, Redondo Beach, CA 90278  
**Project:** Project Needs  
**Presenter:** Adriana Romero, Project Needs Coordinator  
**Amount Requested:** \$4,500

Ms. Romero stated that funds would be used to purchase groceries and hygiene items to distribute to individuals and families who benefit from the pantry.

**Agency:** South Bay Children's Health Center Association, Inc.  
**Address:** 410 South Camino Real, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
**Project:** Grandparents and Caregivers Support Group  
**Presenters:** Christina Harris and Rachel Green  
**Amount Requested:** \$7,000

Ms. Green described the project that would provide a year long, weekly grandparent caregiver support group.

**Agency:** Society to Aid Retarded, Inc. (STAR)  
**Address:** P.O. Box 1075, Torrance, CA 90505  
**Project:** Supplemental Funding for Resident Transportation  
**Presenter:** Pamela Broderick, Executive Director  
**Amount Requested:** \$7,500

Ms. Broderick stated that requested funds would be used to sustain their current transportation program for developmentally disabled adults.

**Agency:** The Salvation Army Torrance Corps.  
**Address:** 4223 Emerald Street, Torrance, CA 90503  
**Project:** Torrance Corps Adult Day Care Center  
**Presenter:** Carla Nay, Adult Day Care Coordinator  
**Amount Requested:** \$7,500

Ms. Nay discussed the project that extends free or low-cost adult day care services to low income, elderly individuals.

**Agency:** Pregnancy Help Center  
**Address:** 1311 Crenshaw Boulevard #A, Torrance, CA 90501  
**Project:** STD Testing and Treatment  
**Presenter:** Adrienne Gross, Director  
**Amount Requested:** \$2,160

## **6. ORALS**

Recreation Services Senior Supervisor Kelso noted that \$20,942.06 was available for grant funding.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** At 6:37 p.m., Commissioner Ning moved to adjourn the meeting to October 27, 2010, at 5:00 p.m., at the Cultural Arts Center, Garden Rooms A & B, for grants hearings. Commissioner Robbins seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

Approved as Amended November 9, 2010 s/ Sue Herbers, City Clerk
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